

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For : SPINEL FERRIMAGNETIC PARTICLES AND MAGNETIC
RECORDING MEDIUM

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 18, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 18, 2007, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response until August 18, 2007.

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for three months until November 19, 2007 (November 18, 2007 being a Sunday), and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time for three months accompanied by the government fee. If for any reason the formal request for extension of time is not associated with this reply or any fees are required to maintain the pendency of this application, including any extension of time fees and/or any claim fees, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the following amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification being on page 3 of this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 13 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.